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Michael R. Hatch et al. : Art Unit 2512  
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For: Magnetic Head Suspension :  
Assembly Fabricated With Integral :  
Load Beam And Flexure :  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter this preliminary amendment for the above-identified  
patent application.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Add Figures 13, 13A, 14A-14C.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 5, between lines 10 and 11, add:

"Figure 13 is a top plan view of a femtoslider suspension, partly  
broken away, including load/unload side tabs;  
Figure 13A is a section A-A taken through Fig. 13;  
Figure 14A is a top view of the flexure of the suspension, partly  
broken away, showing a stepped flexure;  
Figure 14B is a side view of the flexure of Fig. 14A;  
Figure 14C is a front view of the flexure of Fig. 14A.

*B1* *RST* Page 9, line 11<sup>15</sup>, after "70", delete the second period (.).  
line 12, after "72" insert --by adhesive fillets which provide  
bond strength at the cutout 16, as shown in Fig. 6C--."

*B2* *RST* Page 10, line 25, after "femtoslider", add --suspension--; line  
28, change "femto slider" to --femtoslider suspension--.

Page 10, line 30, add:

*B3* "With reference to Figs. 13 and 13A, a head slider suspension  
includes flat side tabs 120 which protrude to enable loading and  
unloading of the head suspension assembly relative to the surface  
of a magnetic disk in a disk drive. The side tabs may be present